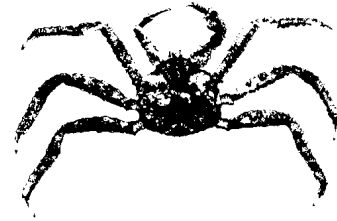


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ADF&G SEEKS CRAB-POT VESSEL FOR CHARTER

The Alaska Department of Fish and Game will be chartering a large commercial crab-pot vessel to conduct blue king crab research activities in the St. Matthew Island Section (Bering Sea Area 'Q') during the summer of 2013. The St. Matthew Island blue king crab research charter will take place between approximately July 23 and August 27, 2013 and will require a vessel 110' or greater in overall length which meets additional requirements. The charter will begin and end in Dutch Harbor, Alaska.

The Invitation-to-Bid is available on the Online Public Notice section of the State of Alaska web page at: <http://aws.state.ak.us/OnlinePublicNotices/Notices/View.aspx?id=167292>.

Bids will be opened at 1:30 PM on April 4, 2013.

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